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# The Minuteman

*The Official Newsletter of the Massachusetts Wing*

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# Massachusetts Wing Provides Aerial Support to Tornado-ravaged Area.

Tornados touched down in heavily populated western Massachusetts on Wednesday, causing widespread damage as the eastern half of the state dealt with a barrage of thunderstorms, hail and high winds.

The approaching front was logged at speeds in excess of 100 MPH with wind gusts exceeding that speed.

Massachusetts Gov. Deval Patrick declared a state of emergency where damaging tornadoes swept through the state. A mission request for Civil Air Patrol services was made to Mass Wing Headquarters asking CAP to fly aerial photo missions over the hardest hit areas of the Commonwealth.



Tornado image as it passes over Connecticut River in Springfield, MA

According to the incident commander for this mission, Maj. Derrell Lipman, "CAP aircraft were asked to fly designated areas taking



high resolution aerial photographs that will be made available to MEMA officials." This information is extremely helpful to local communities trying to determine where to evacuate, where to provide aid and shore up critical infrastructure.

Thursday morning, local media outlets were reporting that this string of tornadoes claimed 4 lives and destroyed over 300 homes in at least 19 communities.

Massachusetts Wing provides controlled state support to State and local agencies who often request CAP to perform air and ground missions following major storms.

# Civil Air Patrol Honored With International Award

Civil Air Patrol was awarded a World Peace Prize during a June 14 ceremony at the U.S. Capitol.

Chief Judge of the World Peace Prize and retired U.S. Rep. Lester Wolff announced CAP will be honored as the World Peace Corps Mission's "Roving Ambassador for Peace" at the ceremony in Washington, D.C., which will also recognize top honor prize recipients H.H. Dorje Chang Buddha III and Benjamin A. Gilman.

"Civil Air Patrol makes a huge impact, going above and beyond to make a profound difference in America's communities, saving lives and preserving liberty for all," said Wolff, in announcing the World Peace Prize recipients for 2010.

The World Peace Prize is presented annually by the World Peace Corps Mission, an international evangelical missionary organization. Since its establishment in 1989, the prize has been awarded to individuals contributing to the causes of world peace by preventing regional conflicts or world war; by settling the disputes of political, diplomatic and economic matters; and by developing new inventions to minimize threats and confusions within mankind.

The awarding council for the World Peace Prize operates according to the core spirit of

advancing peace and justice and inter-religious collaborations. Past recipients include President Ronald Reagan of the U.S., President Abdurrahman Wahid of Indonesia and President Kuniwo Nakamura of Palau, amongst others.

"Civil Air Patrol is delighted to be chosen for this prestigious international honor," said Maj. Gen. Amy S. Courter, CAP's national commander. "This reflects greatly upon our 61,000-plus members, who work diligently in their communities to serve their fellow citizens."

In its Air Force auxiliary role, CAP performs 90 percent of continental U.S. inland search and rescue missions as tasked by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center and was credited by the AFRCC with saving 113 lives in fiscal year 2010.

When natural or manmade disasters occur, CAP's citizen volunteers are often the first on the scene, transmitting digital images of the damage within seconds while providing disaster relief and emergency services for victims. In the past decade alone, members have responded to such phenomena as 9/11, Hurricane Katrina, Texas and Oklahoma wildfires, tornadoes in the South and central U.S., flooding in the Dakotas and an earthquake and tsunami in Hawaii, as well as humanitarian missions along the U.S. and Mexican border.

CAP celebrates its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Dec. 1. It has been conducting humanitarian missions from the early days of World War II and is considered by many as the world standard for aviation-oriented, volunteer emergency organizations.





# Massachusetts Legislative Unit Inducts New Member

Mass Wing Headquarters welcomed a new member who recently accepted an invitation to join the Civil Air Patrol Massachusetts Wing's Legislative Squadron. Wing Headquarters



President of the Senate  
Therese Murray (D)

welcomed President of the Senate Therese Murray (D) representing Plymouth and Barnstable District, which includes the towns of Sandwich, Plympton, Plymouth, Pembroke, Kingston, Falmouth, and Bourne.

As members holding the grade of honorary Major, Sen. Murray will have the opportunity to be periodically updated on issues pertaining to Civil Air Patrol including missions, and activities of the CAP.

Membership in the state legislative squadron is open to state legislators and elected state officials as well as key staff members. These members are authorized to fly in CAP aircraft, visit CAP unit meetings and events, and observe missions. Legislators and elected state officials receive the honorary grade of major.

The members of Massachusetts Wing are grateful that Sen. Murray has taken the time to recognize the important role Civil Air Patrol plays in making the Commonwealth a safer and more livable state for its citizens

All Mass Wing members are reminded to contact their area Legislators and to invite them

to join the Legislative unit. Lt Col Duffey, MAWG Government Relations Advisor can be contacted for further info.



## Social Media Chief – ADY

**Function:** Assists the Wing PA Director with the implementation and management of Social Media for the CAP Public Affairs Program in Massachusetts Wing

### **Responsibilities include:**

- Manage the MAWG Facebook and other Structured Social Media for the wing under the general supervision of the director
- Assist the director with the development and implementation of the MAWG Social Media PA Plan
- Collaboratively assist MAWG Squadrons with implementation of Structured Social Media

### **Preferred Requirements for the Position:**

- Rank – Capt. or below, Senior Member NCO, or Flight Officer
- Experience – At least 1 year experience within Mass Wing CAP, knowledgeable about Social Media applications
- Training – Rated at least Technician in the Public Affairs Specialty Track

***Inquiries should be sent to MAWG/PA @  
mawgcap@aol.com***

# CAP Participates in National Exercise Testing Earthquake Response Plan

Civil Air Patrol participated in the Ardent Sentry, a major homeland security and disaster response exercise that started this past May that tests emergency responders' ability to handle a massive earthquake in America's Midwest, along the seismic-sensitive New Madrid fault.

"CAP is a nationwide organization with a tremendous amount of resources it can provide to the nation in a disaster, no matter how large," said Col. James Rushing, CAP's Southeast Region commander, who is the senior agency liaison for this year's four-day exercise, coordinating CAP operations with other agencies. He performed a similar role during the Deepwater Horizon oil spill response in the Gulf of Mexico in 2010.

"CAP has 550 aerial reconnaissance and transportation aircraft and almost a thousand vehicles that are ideally suited for this type of mission," said Rushing. "In addition, the organization has hundreds of highly trained aircrews, ground team members and emergency operations personnel who are fully qualified in the same National Incident Management System (NIMS) training that federal, state and local officials require."

The Air Force auxiliary also has a nationwide communications network of high frequency and very high frequency interoperable radios for Ardent Sentry, which will involve emergency responders in six states testing the National New Madrid Fault Response Plan. "These communications assets are ideal on a disaster scenario like an earthquake or hurricane because they are infrastructure-independent, which means they do not rely on cell towers or a satellite network that can easily get overloaded," said Rushing.

Though not typically associated with major earthquakes, the New Madrid fault is home to one of the nation's more active seismic zones, stretching 150 miles across Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee and Kentucky. Earthquakes there can also affect Mississippi and Indiana.

The national exercise includes a number of federal, state and local agencies and a large contingent of CAP members. As many as 36 CAP planes and aircrews will be involved, said Rushing, who will be joined by members from six wings — Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Arkansas, Tennessee and Kentucky — from four CAP regions. The New Madrid plan also includes support from the Alabama, Georgia, Iowa, Louisiana, Nebraska, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina and Texas wings.

CAP's primary role in Ardent Sentry will be providing aerial reconnaissance for photography and assessment of damage and conditions on the ground. "To work through a scenario like this gives us a better feel for what we really need to do when the real event happens," Rushing said.

Exercises like Ardent Sentry help responders work out any kinks before major disasters. Lessons learned from last year's Gulf oil spill response efforts were implemented in this exercise and other emergency response plans, Rushing noted.

Civil Air Patrol encourages youth to live the timeless **Core Values** of **Integrity, Volunteer Service, Excellence**, and **Respect**. CAP develops character in its cadets through formal values education and informal mentoring as ethical dilemmas arise in cadets' lives.

## AWARDS & PROMOTIONS

### Senior Member Awards

- **Paul Garber Award**
  - Major Lynne Putney
- **Grover Loening Award**
  - Major Lynne Putney
  - Capt. William J Frisbee
  - Major Louann Maffei-Iwuc
- **Gill Robb Wilson Award**
  - Lt Col. Harry Mottley

### Cadet Member Awards

- **Gen. Ira C. Eaker Achievement**
  - Alexander A Ortins
- **Gen. Billy Mitchell Achievement**
  - Christopher D Gotts
  - Hannah J. Kuegler
  - Ryan M. Royer

### Promotions

#### **Westover Squadron**

Steven Lauzon – promoted to Captain  
Stephen Edelman - promoted to Captain  
Ken Windyka - promoted to Major  
Richard Pisarski - promoted to Major

#### **Goddard Cadet Squadron**

Abdiel Ramos - promoted to Airman  
Gabrielle Orne - promoted to Airman  
Bryce Desy - promoted to Airman First Class

Branden Burris - promoted to Technical Sergeant  
Nicholas Choiniere - promoted to Technical Sergeant  
Chief Master Sergeant  
Adrian Fontes - promoted to Chief Master Sergeant  
Keith Reid -promoted to Chief Master Sergeant  
Sydney Hauver - promoted to Chief Master Sergeant  
Kenny Le - promoted to Chief Master Sergeant  
Sean Mullane - promoted to C/2Lt.  
Erik Borglund - promoted to C/Flight Officer  
Ralph Melanson - promoted to C/1Lt.

#### **Hanscom Composite Squadron**

Anthony Carreon - promoted to Cadet Senior Master Sergeant  
C/SSgt McCarthy - promoted to Cadet Technical Sergeant  
C/SSgt Stanaford - promoted to Cadet Technical Sergeant  
C/SSgt Tuxbury - promoted to Cadet Technical Sergeant  
C/SrA Mattingly - promoted to Cadet Staff Sergeant  
Major Lynne Putney – promoted to Lt Colonel



## 2011 CHUCK YEAGER RECIPIENTS

• CHRISTOPHER GLEASON	MA019
• DYLAN NEIDORFF	MA043
• REID LEONARD	MA043
• ERIC KUEGLER	MA070
• JERRY RODGERS	MA015
• PATRICK BUEKLIN	MA022
• JAME HUGGINS	MA006
• MARK SPRUILL	MA059
• WILLIAM MESKILL	MA001
• JOSSEPH FRATTO	MA001
• DAVID NEWMAN	MA001
• CHRISTY CLOW	MA072
• STEVEN LAUZON	MA074
• GEORGE ALLEN	MA007
• ROBERT BOUCHER	MA001
• KENT HARTIG	MA007
• JESSE TROY	MA019
• CHERYLY HUGHES	MA072
• PHILLIP BALBONI	MA071
• ARNOLD WOODS	MA019
• SIMON CRAYTHORN	MA044
• KEVIN LYNCH	MA044

### RECENTLY ADDED

• 1LT. BRIAN SILVA	MA006
• SM. JOHN GUSLER	MA043
• CAPT. JOHN FLATTERY	MA044
• SM. SAMUEL WESTOVER	MA043
• 2LT. EDWARD TEAQUE	MA007
• SM. RONALD MAROTTA	MA044
• 1LT. STEVEN BROWN	MA006

## Member Benefits

As a CAP member you can take advantage of our many member benefits.

All members receive a subscription to CAP Volunteer Magazine.

CAP also offers a variety of member discounts and affinity programs including rental car discounts, term life insurance, pilot merchandise and more.

With the exception of the Volunteer magazine, no member dues or other funds are used to procure and offer benefits to CAP members.



# MAWG Corporate Learning Course Dates Changed

Due to the Tri-State SAR Exercise scheduled for June 2011, a decision has been made to move the date of the MAWG CLC to 1 & 2 October and will be held at the Hanscom Base Education Building.

The Corporate Learning Course (CLC) is required to complete Level III in your Professional Development advancement and should not be taken until an SLS (Squadron Leadership School) has been completed. Please check with your Professional Development Officer. (Note: seating is limited to 15 persons and those closer to promotion with time in grade may be given priority.

If you are interested in attending this course please register by doing the following:

1. Send an E-mail to MAJ Alan R. Bugos, at [alan.bugos@mawg.cap.gov](mailto:alan.bugos@mawg.cap.gov) to let me know you are interested and to reserve a seat.
2. Complete a CAP Form 17 (per NER, CC), have it signed by your commanding Officer and forwarded to the undersigned as soon as possible. These forms are preferred in electronic format, but standard paper forms work as well and can be sent to my attention at MAWG HQ.



**I WANT YOU**

**FOR THE MASS WING DRILL TEAM  
CONTACT MAJOR ANTIONETTE FISHER  
FOR MORE INFORMATION**

## ENCAMPMENT

**CORNER:** July 24-31. Fort

Devens. Prerequisite for Mitchell and the CAP National Cadet Special Activities. Lots of fun things: helicopter and military vehicle rides, ropes training, more. New this year will be a robotics flight for cadets who have been to a previous encampment. Applications will be available online at [mawgcadets.org/encampment](http://mawgcadets.org/encampment)

## American Red Cross Honors Coastal Patrol #18 Member

On March 31<sup>st</sup>, the American Red Cross Cape Cod & Islands held their Annual Heroes Breakfast. LtCol (CAP) Oscar Orringer of Coastal Patrol 18 Squadron was honored as an Adult Mentor/Role Model.

For more than 15 years, Orringer has taught adults and youths to keep our coasts safe and has supported those who respond in search and rescue missions when events go awry. Lt Colonel Orringer volunteers with the US Coast Guard Auxiliary and the Bourne Public Schools



# Massachusetts Search and Rescue School holds Graduation Exercise

*by Capt Jacob Gerstein, CAP  
Public Information Officer*



On Saturday 02 April 2011 marked the culmination of the first Massachusetts Search and Rescue School (MASAR), which comprised six weekends of ground search and rescue training beginning in October 2010. Eleven Basic Ground School Trainees earned Ground Team Member 3 (GTM3) and Urban Direction Finding (UDF) qualifications. Three Advanced Ground School Trainees made significant progress toward Ground Team Member 1 (GTM1).

MASAR offers a block training concept that provides the framework that enabled Massachusetts Wing to offer basic as well as advanced schools. Additionally, it establishes more continuity across units, a higher profile within the wing, and a dedicated command structure.



# Local CAP Squadron Honors Springfield Veterans for Memorial Day

*Published: Thursday, May 26, 2011, By Peter Goonan, The Republican*

The telephones were ringing on Thursday, and the volunteers were lining up. A plea for help in placing American flags on veteran's graves in Springfield on Wednesday drew an overwhelming response, with more than 100 telephone calls and dozens of volunteers, according to veteran's services and cemetery officials. The response ended concerns about a shortage of volunteers, particularly for flag placements needed at several thousand graves at St. Michael's Cemetery on State Street and the Gate of Heaven Cemetery on Tinkham Road.

First Lt. Stephen C. Edelman, a member of the Civil Air Patrol Unit at Westover Air Reserve Base in Chicopee, and two of his fellow members were among the volunteers on Thursday. "This is what Memorial Day and Veterans Day is all about," said Edelman, while placing flags at St. Michael's. "There is no better way to give back than to come out here and show respect to our veterans." Edelman said he received an email from a friend, alerting him to the story in *The Republican* and on MassLive.com about the need for volunteers, and immediately made plans to lend a hand. Edelman said he had been expecting a "lazy day" on Thursday. "That changed," he said. Charley N. Woehlke, deputy director of the city's Department of Veterans Services, made the public plea for help after learning from St. Michael's that flagging had not yet begun.

Kostek said it was "touching" to see so many people volunteering. "It shows a lot of patriotism for our country," Kostek said. The two cemeteries and Woehlke's office had received more than 100 telephone calls with offers to help. Many went to the cemeteries, or planned to help today, some from as far away as Huntington. "It's an amazing response," Woehlke said. "It's so nice to know that many people want to get out and honor our veterans." There are approximately 22,000 veteran's graves in Springfield among cemeteries large and small. The graves are flagged every Memorial Day and then again on Veterans Day, accomplished solely with volunteers.



Woehlke and Kostek said they believe the shortage in volunteers this year was likely related to people not realizing that their help was needed. In addition, the placing of the flags is a very long trek through the cemeteries, they said. Some of the older veterans who volunteer each year have found it too physically challenging, Woehlke said. St. Michael's is 165 acres and has more than 100,000 graves, and Gate of Heaven is 110 acres, Kostek said. The task of placing the flags has to be conducted one zone at a time to ensure all the veterans are honored.

# Westover Composite Squadron Wins Regional Color Guard Competition

The Westover Composite Squadron, representing the Massachusetts Wing, once again won first place in the Northeast Regional Cadet Color Guard Competition (5/1/2011) held at Westover ARB MA. The squadron competed against 6 other teams from throughout the northeast, including teams from Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, New York, New Jersey, & Pennsylvania.

Cadet members of the team were:

- Cadet Senior Master Sergeant Joseph Goodreau
- Cadet Technical Sergeant. Ryan Miller
- Cadet Technical Sergeant Jillian O'Brien
- Cadet Senior Airmen Danny O'Connell
- Cadet Senior Airmen Marie Meak

Senior Advisers for the team were

- CAP Maj. Claire Belden
- 2nd Lt. James O'Connell
- 2ns Lt. Jerry Rodgers



A panel of judges evaluated the cadet teams on the following criteria: Written & verbal tests on Civil Air Patrol & aerospace related subjects; uniform appearance; physical fitness--with a timed one mile run; indoor standard drill, indoor ceremonial planning/implementation; as well as outdoor presentations of the colors.

The team will represent the Northeast Region in the National Cadet Color Guard Competition that will be held June 22 thru 27, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton OH.

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## MAWG Hosts Cadet Officers School



Fourteen students and seven instructors recently gathered at the Hanscom Education & Training Center for a one day Cadet Officers School.

Under the direction of Senior Member 1st Lt Brian Silva from Brockton Squadron this event was for all Cadet Officers (Chiefs and NCO's that hold an Officers Position as well).

This workshop was designed teach the fundamentals of being a true Cadet Officer. Classes included Leadership, Delegation and Communication among peers and subordinates.

There was also an open discussion on the Staff Duty Analysis, Uniforms in Mass Wing and The Mass Wing email site. This course will open the door to future Cadet Officer Workshops as well as an annual NCO Academy both hosted by the Mass Wing CAC.



**CAP ALERT**



## Emergency Beacon Activated and CAP Responds

*Report by Major Derrell Lipman, Incident Commander*

Search mission 11-M-0340 opened 30 May 2011 and closed 31 May 2011 for an emergency beacon being reported by high-altitude aircraft. With little indication of signal location, two air crews were launched, one in the eastern portion of Massachusetts; one in the west. The crew in the east quickly located the signal to the New Bedford Harbor area. The other aircraft then took up a highbird position, providing a communication relay to mission base.

The EPIRB was silenced by MAWG UDF personnel at the Dartmouth Police Station, in a garage which had just been turned over to the Police by the Harbor Master.

Response by MAWG members to my request for assistance in this mission was fabulous, particularly given that it was late-afternoon on a holiday. We were able to quickly launch two aircraft, and had UDF members from northeastern, southeastern, central, and western Massachusetts enroute towards the target area as soon as the aircraft had determined the general area of the signal.

Additionally, radio operators from southeastern and western MA provided the radio coverage and relays between field teams and mission base as this mission progressed. Lack of good communications with remote air and ground teams is often one of the biggest frustrations for an IC, and on this mission, that frustration never materialized.

This was a highly professional operation by all involved. My thanks go to the following members who gave of their holiday to assist in this mission:



## Pilgrim Cadets Tour Norwood Airport

On Wednesday, April 20th, Cadets and Seniors from the Pilgrim Composite Squadron, Plymouth, MA spent the day at Norwood Airport where they learned about aerodynamics and airport operations. The crowd pleaser was a 30-minute trip in a full-motion simulator, a complete flight from takeoff to landing.

The tour of a Cessna Citation included sitting in the pilot's seat and a look at the parts of the jet.

An air traffic controller talked informally with the cadets prior to their visit to the tower.



# Longtime CAP Chaplain Named National Retired Chaplain of the Year

*Lenore Vickrey - Contributing Writer - May 4, 2011*



*Chaplain Lt. Col. Louis H.G. Bier accepts the Retired Chaplain of the Year Award from the Rev. Susan K. Wintz, President of the Association of Professional Chaplains.*

## Local Squadron Supports Our Troops

With both cadets and seniors from the Pilgrim Composite Squadron they filled about 3½ boxes filled in May. Great job!! The troops like hot chocolate, games, puzzles, socks, toothbrushes, toothpaste and travel-size toiletries. They enjoy books and use lots of alcohol-based hand sanitizers. The key rule to remember "It's best not to send liquids". "Nothing in glass containers or foods needing preparation". The squadron has received many letters of thanks and pictures of troops to whom they have sent boxes. Mutual Bank, 2 Pilgrim Rd. Plymouth, renewed its generous donation to pay shipping

Chaplain Lt. Col. Louis H.G. Bier remembers the day he first got involved with Civil Air Patrol. It was 34 years ago in Boston, when a young man living across the street came up to him with a request: "We need a chaplain."

Bier, a Lutheran minister, had his doubts whether he'd be what the group's members needed, but apparently they knew better. He went to his first squadron meeting and listened to some of the issues. "One thing led to another," he remembered, and eventually he became the chaplain not only for the Boston squadron, but later for the Massachusetts Wing and then the entire nine-wing Northeast Region.

Bier's CAP career has spanned more than three decades. A pastor since 1959, he was recently awarded the prestigious Retired Chaplain of the Year Award from the Association of Professional Chaplains – recognition for his work not only with CAP but also as a chaplain with the Department of Veterans Affairs' health care system in Boston and as a longtime pastor in his denomination, the Missouri Synod of the Lutheran Church.

Within CAP, Bier will always be remembered for engineering the move of the Chaplain Staff College from McGuire Air Force Base, N.J., to the Naval Chaplains School in Newport, R.I., where it remained for 10 years. "With this outstanding idea, he ensured that the chaplains would remain in the setting of a professional armed forces chaplain school," said Chaplain Lt. Col. Barbara Y. Williams, now assistant chaplain for the Northeast Region, who nominated Bier for the CAP Meritorious Service Award in 1997.

Bier served as Northeast Region chaplain from Jan. 1, 1995, to July 1, 1997, after serving as Massachusetts Wing chaplain from June 1, 1998, to Dec. 31, 1994.

## Wing Medical Officer Retires



Col. William Meskill (L) and Lt. Col. Hume (C) present Lt. Col. Salafia (R) with the Massachusetts Challenge Coin and Certificate

There are not too many senior members or cadets in Massachusetts Wing that haven't worked with or heard of Lt Colonel Frank Salafia. Lt Col. Salafia served as the Director of Medical Services at Mass Wing Headquarters but after 36 years of service to the Civil Air Patrol program, he decided to retire.

Lt Colonel Salafia was honored at a presentation ceremony at Wing Headquarters with the awarding of his Certificate of Retirement by Colonel William Meskill, MAWG Commander and Lt Colonel Everett Hume, MAWG Vice Commander.

He started out his career in CAP back on April 29, 1975 as a senior member assigned to a local squadron. His hard work and commitment to the wing and CAP serves an example for many to follow. He will be sorely missed by all those that have worked with him over the years.

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## Squadrons Support New Bedford Airport Fly-in



Supporting the community is key to the Civil Air Patrol and that is what the members of the Pilgrim and Brockton Squadrons did on a Saturday in May. The 2011's 5th Annual General Aviation Fun Day was by all accounts very successful event!! The event was held from 10 AM - 4 PM at the New Bedford Regional Airport (KEWB). As always, there was something for everyone with static aircraft displays, flight demonstrations, food, and more.

The New Bedford Police K-9 unit was here doing demonstrations, as well as the New Bedford Fire Department's Crash Truck. Flight Simulators were

available for public use throughout the day. This event was co-hosted by the Atlantic Aviators Chapter of Women in Aviation, International, the New Bedford Regional Pilot's Association, and the New Bedford Regional Airport.



# Westover Squadron Cadets Board The Intrepid



Located on Manhattan's West Side on the Hudson River, the Intrepid Sea, Air and Space Museum invites visitors to explore military history through its collection of 30 restored military aircraft and interactive exhibits. During a recent visit, cadets and seniors from the Westover Squadron had a chance to take a dynamic journey of sights, sound and spirit on the aircraft carrier. The visit included a British Airways Concorde, and the former USS Growler submarine as well as trying out a Flight Simulator. After an extensive two-year restoration, the Intrepid once again welcomes visitors to its Pier 86 location.

The USS Intrepid was used by the U.S. Navy from 1942 until the early 1970s and saw action in World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. At its peak, the great ship housed more than 3,000 sailors and carried more than 100 airplanes and helicopters on its massive deck. The ship, weighing in at nearly 42,000 tons when loaded, is virtually a full military installation at sea, and fighter planes are still perched on the deck for viewing.

Most of the planes featured on the Intrepid were never actually carried by the ship, such as the A-12 Blackbird, one of the fastest, highest-flying planes ever built. The CIA had this titanium aircraft designed to photograph activities on the other side of the Berlin Wall during the Cold War. A reproduction of a World War I biplane, complete with propeller, can be found on the lower deck.



## THURSDAYS ARE CRUISE NIGHT AT BEVERLY AIRPORT

L P Henderson Road, Beverly, MA  
Main Airport Parking Lot  
Drive-In / Fly-In  
May 5<sup>th</sup> thru Sept 1<sup>st</sup>  
6 – 8 PM  
Rain or Shine  
Come on by, meet up with your  
friends and have some fun !

## National Commander Calls on CAP Leadership to Support CyberPatriot Involvement

- Maj. Gen. Amy S. Courter, national commander, calls on the organization's leadership to help promote involvement throughout Civil Air Patrol in the Air Force Association's annual CyberPatriot competition

## Professional Development Updates

This is for ALL Senior Members. For future reference: National now permits members to take the Squadron Leadership School (SLS) and Corporate Learning Course (CLC) on-line. The Wing Commander and Professional Development Officer would like to encourage you to take these courses in person. Taking them in person is faster, sometimes more convenient, and promotes interaction with your fellow wing members and other instructors and attendees from around the Region. Those members who cannot physically attend the course are permitted to take them on line.

Any member that feels that they cannot take the in-person course, should request permission from Wing to take the online course.

### *2011 NER Staff College Rescheduled*

*In an effort to make the Staff College more accessible, the NERSC has been moved to 22-29 October 2011*

## Health Services Update



Lyme disease is the most common tick-borne disease in the Northern Hemisphere. *Borrelia* is transmitted to humans by the bite of infected ticks belonging to a few species of the genus *Ixodes* ("hard ticks"). Early symptoms may include fever, headache, fatigue, depression, and a characteristic circular skin rash called erythema migrans. Left untreated, later symptoms may involve the joints, heart, and central nervous system. In most cases, the infection and its symptoms are eliminated by antibiotics, especially if the illness is treated early. Delayed or inadequate treatment can lead to the more serious symptoms, which can be disabling and difficult to treat. Lyme disease is a biosafety level 2 disease.

### CIVIL AIR PATROL'S MARS PROGRAM

**Building  
aerospace leaders  
for tomorrow**

Civil Air Patrol is  
**Making Aerospace Real for Students  
and teachers too!**



# Representative Kate Hogan Is Newest Legislative Member



**Photo:** Representative Kate Hogan receives her membership from Colonel William Meskill, Wing Commander.

The Massachusetts Wing of the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) officially welcomed Representative Kate Hogan of the Massachusetts Legislature into the wing's Legislative Squadron during a CAP staff meeting on Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>.

Representative Kate Hogan, of the Massachusetts 3<sup>rd</sup> Middlesex District, which includes the towns of Hudson, Maynard, Stow and Bolton, and a lifelong Democrat, serves as the Vice Chair of the Joint Committee

on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, on the Committee on Community Development and Small Businesses, and the Joint Committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight. Representative Hogan has been appointed to co-chair the House of Representative's bi-partisan Elder Caucus which advocates for seniors.

The ceremony took place at the Mass Wing Headquarters located at Hanscom AFB, Bedford, Massachusetts.

Headquarters Staff and Squadron Commanders were on hand as Rep. Hogan was presented with her Civil Air Patrol membership card, Certificate of Membership and a Massachusetts Wing Challenge Coin.

Membership in the Legislative Squadron is open to all state legislators, elected state officials, and key legislative staff. Membership is honorary and includes the CAP rank of major, the ability to fly in CAP aircraft and observe CAP missions. Through their membership, the legislative leaders show support of the volunteer efforts of the CAP. Members are invited to expand their participation in the program to include emergency services, aerospace education, and cadet program support in their hometowns.

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The 2011 CAP Annual Conference & National Board will conclude Gen Courter's tenure as National Commander. Plan to attend this year's conference to thank her for her dedication and service. August 18th through August 20th

# Good Like Cadets!!

As several of the cadets from MAWG make plans to head off to college, an Academy or our Armed Services - we want to acknowledge your achievement and wish you all the best.

## Goddard Cadet Squadron

- C/A1c Robert Denman, who is attached to the Goddard Cadet Squadron will be entering Bryant College in the fall majoring in International Business. Cadet Denman received an \$18,000.00 ROTC scholarship.
- C/A1C Samuel Bergen will be heading to Embry Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Campus. He will be studying Aeronautical Engineering. Cadet Bergen received a Type 2 USAF ROTC Scholarship.
- C/CMSgt Adrian Fontes will be heading off to Bridgewater State University which is located in Bridgewater, MA. He will be studying Aerospace Science. While at BSU he will be an active USAF ROTC cadet.
- C/CMSgt Nicholas Swenson will be enlisting in the U.S. Air Force.
- C/CMSgt Daniel Van Hoven has enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps.

## Essex County Composite Squadron

- C/1Lt Abe Iyengar has chosen to attend the U.S. Air Force Academy this fall. C/1Lt Iyengar had been accepted to all three service academies.

## Hanscom Composite Squadron

- The Cadet Commander, C/2d Lt Joseph Sievers just enlisted in the Army National Guard. He will be entering the Corps of Cadets with Army ROTC at Virginia Tech during the Spring 2012 semester.
- Hanscoms Cadet Activities Officer, C/TSgt Sam Stanaford, is going off to Cedarville University this fall as an Air Force ROTC cadet.
- The Cadet Aerospace Education Officer, C/Amn Adam Hobson, is going off to Purdue University this fall.
- Anthony Carreon, was selected by the Society of American Military Engineers to attend its Engineering Camp at the Air Force Academy this summer.

## Beverly Squadron

- C/LTC Alexander Ortins of Beverly has received a four year Marine ROTC scholarship to the University of South Carolina.
- C/ SSGT Ryan Grant has been awarded a \$1000.00 flight scholarship from A&B Aviation at Beverly Airport. The award is in honor of the late Arthur Allen, formerly of the MAC and a partner in A&B Aviation

# Area residents surprised by sounds of fighter jets in Taunton's airspace

By Charles Winokoor

Necks craned to catch a glimpse and ears were attuned to the thunderous sound of two fighter jets that visited the skies of Taunton Wednesday morning.

"At first it sounded like a helicopter to me," said Mimi Punda, secretary to Mayor Charles Crowley.

But as soon as she and other City Hall workers stepped outside to get a bird's eye view, it became clear the dramatic sounds were coming from a pair of military jets.

"They were kind of circling," said Punda, who described the color of the jets as black.

"They were up there for a couple minutes before they left, and then they came back. They were very loud," she said.

It turns out a total of three aircraft were involved in the training mission that wended its way over the Silver City between 10:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. "It was a military exercise — a drill," said Jim Peters, spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration's New England Region office. Peters said the simulated chase of a third aircraft originated in Plymouth before heading to Taunton. A spokesman for the 104th Fighter Wing at Barnes Air National Guard Base in Westfield confirmed that two F-15s had been tracking a role-playing "suspicious aircraft" provided by the Civil Air Patrol/Massachusetts Wing.

Col. William Meskill of the Bedford-based Civil Air Patrol said he was not at liberty to disclose details of Wednesday's exercise, other than that "we do that kind of work."

Asked how often Civil Air participates in training missions with fighter jets and provides aircraft as part of those exercises, Meskill said, "We do it frequently."

And when asked if exercises like the one that took place Wednesday over Plymouth and Taunton were of an anti-terrorism



nature, Meskill said: "Those are the kind of missions we do." Daniel Raposa, manager of Taunton's municipal airport in East Taunton, said he had not received any advance notice that a military exercise would be conducted. Raposa said his airport office had received four phone calls from people who, although not necessarily panicked, were "concerned" about the sight and sound of the two fighter jets. At no time, he said, were the jets ever within local airspace.

"They were well above us, way up there," Raposa said. "No way were they in our air space." It was also reported the jets at one point flew in the area of Plymouth's Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station, but a spokeswoman there said the plant had not been involved in the aerial exercise.